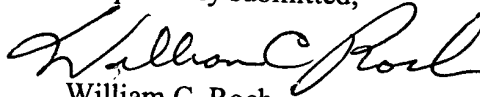


Group II, Claims 6-15, drawn to a method to make a semiconductor device, classified in class 438, subclass 22+.

Pursuant to the election imposed in the Official Action dated July 15, 2002, Applicants provisionally elect the claims of Group I, i.e., Claims 1-5 drawn to a semiconductor device, for continued prosecution herein.

This application is now believed to be in condition for allowance, and a Notice of Allowance is respectfully requested. If the Examiner believes a telephone conference might expedite prosecution of this case, it is respectfully requested that he call the applicant's attorney at (516) 742-4343.

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